

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend paragraph [0003] as follows:

In the context of an application installation meant to upgrade the components of an application, oftentimes, simply replacing ~~application~~ out-dated versions of application components with newer versions of components will not alone suffice as a complete application upgrade. Rather, in an era of code re-use, shared libraries, and interdependent program objects, replacing a single application component can have a dramatic effect upon other separate, but independent applications. Common disastrous consequences include altered and now incompatible application programming interfaces (APIs), re-positioned application objects, and removed application objects. In all cases, an application dependency can be broken simply by upgrading the application components of another, unrelated application.

Please amend paragraph [0013] as follows:

The accompanying drawings, which are incorporated in and constitute part of the ~~this~~ specification, illustrate embodiments of the invention and together with the description, serve to explain the principles of the invention. The embodiments illustrated herein are presently preferred, it being understood, however, that the invention is not limited to the precise arrangements and instrumentalities shown, wherein: